IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Taro AOYAMA

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of PCT/JP2005/010447

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For: METHOD OF DETERMINING CETANE NUMBER OF FUEL IN INTERNAL

COMBUSTION ENGINE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims;

Remarks.